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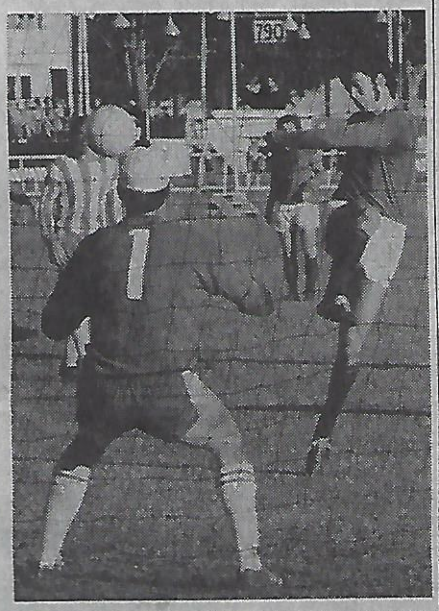
John Doyle scores South Sydney's second goal against Melita Eagles at Wentworth Park last Saturday.



BRAZIL HEADING FOR THIRD WIN

— from JOHN HAVAS at the World Cup —

GUADALAJARA, Monday. — Can anybody stop Brazil from winning the World Cup for the third time and taking the Jules Rimet trophy home for keeps?

Against Czechoslovakia and England the wizards from Rio and Sao Paulo showed they had regained the greatness which won them world supremacy in 1958 and 1962.

The sheer artistry of Pele, Rivelino, Gerson, Tostao, and especially Jairzinho, the most exciting player so far in the series, has brought poetry back into soccer whose beauty all but vanished through rigorous defensive patterns in recent years.

Brazil, practically assured of a quarterfinal berth irrespective of the result of their last "preliminary" match against Rumania because of their impressive goal difference (goal average doesn't count in this World Cup) will be pitted against the loser of the West Germany v. Peru match.

REVELATION

The Germans and the Peruvians, the big revelations of the 1970 World Cup with their fluent, aggressive attacking football, will start at least with a 50-50 chance in my opinion against England, provided, of course, the World champions pull through to the quarterfinals.

Although Mexico still have to play Belgium, the host country, much to the delight of the soccer-crazy Mexicans, should join the USSR in the quarterfinals.

The Russians are starting to gather a lot of support in their bid for the title.

Against Belgium they were devastating, and on that display must be favored to reach the semifinals at the expense of either Italy or Uruguay.

Israel, who are far from outclassed in Group 3, killed Sweden's hopes with a bitterly, at times viciously, contested 1-1 draw yesterday and made practically sure that Italy and Uruguay qualify for the quarterfinals.

The 0-0 draw between the two teams last week was the worst match so far in the 1970 World Cup and although the result pleased both teams, Italian and Uruguayan pressmen were very critical of the display, especially the Italians who expected much better things from the Azzurris.

Neither team has yet ventured into attack, which from an Italian angle is surprising as Riva is every bit as explosive as a Jairzinho or a Gerd Muller, the West German ace who tops the goalscoring list after two rounds.

The winner of the Puebla-Toluca group, probably Italy, will almost certainly meet Mexico and must come out of their defensive shell if they want to progress further.

The unimpressive displays of both Italians and Uruguayans have convinced 35 million Mexicans that their team will do a "Chile" and qualify for the semifinals like the host country in the 1962 World Cup.

The Mexicans, however, are counting their chicks before they are hatched as there is still the task of beating, or at least drawing with Belgium on Thursday (Friday morning Australian time), before even their quarterfinal berth is secure.

Although one round still has to be played I'm brave enough to forecast the following pairings for Sunday's quarterfinals: USSR v. Uruguay at Mexico City, Mexico v. Italy at Puebla, Brazil v. Peru at Guadalajara, and West Germany v. England at Leon.

Victor Esparrago of Uruguay (dark shorts) heads the ball past Israeli defender David Primo in this UPI radio picture of last week's World Cup match at Puebla which Uruguay won 2-0.

HIGH COST MAY KEEP AUST. HOME

The Australian national team's proposed overseas tour at the end of the year will only come off if favorable terms are obtained.

Secretary Brian Le Fevre made this clear yesterday.

Le Fevre, who will visit Europe to arrange matches for the team on his way home from next week's FIFA Congress in Mexico City, said there will be no tour unless appearance fees and expenses covered the considerable costs of sending a party of 22 to 24 abroad.

Although the ASF won't be making any extravagant demands from Australia's likely hosts, Le Fevre may find it hard to get the guarantees requested by his Executive.

Australian soccer, sad to say, enjoys no world-wide reputation and our demands will have to be modest.

So modest, in fact, that it appears most unlikely that match fees can cover the expenses of sending a team away for six to eight weeks without incurring a substantial loss.

As a case in point the Japanese FA last year lost $20,000 when it sent its national team on an extended tour of Europe.

The Japanese, although they had just won the bronze medal at the Mexico Olympics, were unable to secure guarantees anywhere.

The best their opponents could offer was to split their gates on a 50-50 basis.

Since friendly internationals on the Continent, even between the major countries, have lost their appeal with the advent of the various European Cups, it wasn't surprising that most of Japan's matches only attracted a handful of spectators.

Against Strasbourg, in France, the crowd was only 2,300, and in West Germany, where Japan played four matches, the largest attendance was 5,500.

It is very doubtful that Australia, with a lower status than Japan despite our Seoul victory, will fare any better.

I don't want to sound unduly pessimistic, but our chances of sending a team to Europe — on the ASF's terms — don't appear too bright. — **LOU GAUTIER**

NSW FEDERATION FIRST DIVISION

TEAMS	AGGREGATE							HOME							AWAY							NEXT OPPONENT
	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	* Home match
Hakoah	10	8	1	1	35	7	17	5	4	1	—	20	4	9	5	4	—	1	15	3	8	South Sydney*
St. George	10	8	—	2	34	11	16	5	5	—	—	22	5	10	5	3	—	2	12	6	6	Auburn*
Ryde	9	5	3	1	15	12	13	3	3	—	—	6	3	6	6	2	3	1	9	9	7	Souths*, SCU
Auburn	10	6	1	3	25	23	13	6	4	1	1	18	11	9	4	2	—	2	7	12	4	St. George
South Sydney	9	4	2	3	17	17	10	5	3	2	—	10	4	8	4	1	—	3	7	13	2	Ryde, Hakoah
APIA	10	4	1	5	18	15	9	6	3	—	3	11	8	6	4	1	1	2	7	7	3	Prague
Pan Hellenic	10	3	2	5	16	23	8	4	1	2	1	6	6	4	6	2	—	4	10	17	4	Canterbury
Prague	10	3	2	5	15	23	8	5	2	1	2	8	9	5	5	1	1	3	7	14	3	APIA*
Canterbury	10	2	4	4	14	25	8	6	1	3	2	6	14	5	4	1	1	2	8	11	3	Pan Hellenic*
Melita Eagles	10	1	4	5	7	18	6	5	1	2	2	5	9	4	5	—	2	3	2	9	2	Marconi*
Marconi	10	2	1	7	13	22	5	5	2	—	3	8	9	4	5	—	1	4	5	12	1	Melita Eagles
South Coast	10	2	1	7	12	26	5	5	2	—	3	8	11	4	5	—	1	4	4	15	1	Ryde*

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AUSTRALIA COULD HAVE SURPRISED IN MEXICO

— From JOHN HAVAS —

MEXICO CITY, Tuesday — Had Australia qualified for the World Cup we would be rejoicing today as Australian soccer would have received its greatest lift ever.

Let me explain. Israel, playing in Group 2 at Toluca and Puebla, have put up an excellent showing against Uruguay and Sweden in their first two matches, but their clearly inferior physical condition and lack of height let them down.

Since this is one aspect of the Australian game in which we are not too far behind the rest of the world, I am now convinced that had Israel not sneaked into the finals at our expense, the Australian team would have grabbed two, perhaps three points from its games against Uruguay and Sweden.

The Israeli team, beaten 2-0 by Uruguay and held to a 1-1 draw by Sweden, was exactly the same one which played against us last year.

They are no better than they were when I saw them last at the Sydney Sportsground on December 14.

Against the lacklustre senors from Uruguay they were never outclassed in skill nor in tactics, and although their scoring chances were limited, they were there all the same and I'll never know how Shpigel and Feigenbam missed absolute "sitters" when the score was still only 1-0 for Uruguay.

Shpigler, Australia's chief tormentor (he scored the goal that sent Israel to Mexico), has nothing to learn from most of the highly-paid Uruguayan or Swedish professionals.

OUTSTANDING

He is being mentioned as one of the outstanding forwards in the World Cup, but Israel are not a one-man team, far from it.

On Sunday, against Sweden, Israel should have won. It was a bruising match with cautions handed out left and right by the referee.

The Swedes, despite their big name players from all over Europe, were lucky to score first, and even luckier to escape with a 1-1 draw.

Turesson's goal was the result of an inexplicable lapse by goalie Vissoker.

Giora Shipegl equalised three minutes later, in the 57th minute, after some good lead-up work by Shpigler and until full-time Israel had the upper hand.

Although I can only be hypothetical, I am pretty confident that had it been Australia against Uruguay, we could have held out for a 0-0 draw, or only lost 1-0 if our defence had played at its best, as it has done on many occasions in the past.

Against Sweden, we would have won. Of that I am absolutely certain.

Group 2 in Mexico would have suited Australia as Italy and Uruguay play a "safety-first" type of a game and don't use their undoubted superior skill to go after goals like the Russians, Germans or British would against presumably inferior opposition.

A reasonably prepared Australian team, had it not been sent to the cleaners as the result of two silly goals against Israel in the qualifying ties, would probably have gone in against Italy on Friday morning, Australian time, with a berth in the quarterfinals at stake!

Those knockers back home who decry our playing standards should take a look at Israel's results in this World Cup.

Even in the unlikely event of Italy hammering Israel in the last round-robin match, Israel's first two performances have silenced the critics who deplored the presence of so-called "weaker" nations at the World Cup.

As there was barely any difference between Australia and Israel in last year's matches, which could easily have gone the other way, it is only logical to assume that Australia wouldn't have been made to look ridiculous, as many feared, in Mexico.

Quite the opposite. As I said before, Australia would be rejoicing today and every soccer fan would be standing 10 feet tall had we made it to the 1970 World Cup.

Scoreboard

GROUP 1

Mexico v. USSR 0-0.

Belgium 3 (Van Moer, Lambert) v. El Salvador 0.

USSR 4 (Bishovets 2, Asiatini, Khmelnitski) v. Belgium 1 (Lambert).

Mexico 4 (Valdivia 2, Fragaso, Basaguren) v. El Salvador 0.

STANDINGS

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Mexico	1	1	—	4	—	3
USSR	1	1	—	4	1	3
Belgium	1	—	1	4	4	2
El Salvador	—	—	2	—	7	—

GROUP 2

Uruguay 2 (Maneiro, Mujica) v. Israel 0.

Italy 1 (Domenghini) v. Sweden 0.

Uruguay 0 v. Italy 0.

Israel 1 (Shpigler) v. Sweden 1 (Turesson).

STANDINGS

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Uruguay	1	1	—	2	—	3
Italy	1	1	—	1	—	3
Sweden	—	1	—	1	2	1
Israel	—	1	—	1	3	1

GROUP 3

England 1 (Hurst) v. Rumania 0.

Brazil 4 (Jairzinho 2, Pele, Rivelino) v. Czechoslovakia 1 (Petras).

Rumania 2 (Dumitrache, Neagu) v. Czechoslovakia 1 (Petras).

Brazil 1 (Jairzinho) v. England 0.

STANDINGS

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Brazil	2	—	—	5	1	4
England	1	—	1	1	1	2
Rumania	1	—	1	2	2	2
Czechoslovakia	—	—	2	2	6	—

GROUP 4

Peru 3 (Gallardo, Chumpitaz, Cubillas) v. Bulgaria 2 (Dermendjiev, Bonev).

West Germany 2 (Seeler, Muller) v. Morocco 1 (Houmane).

Peru 3 (Cubillas 2, Challe) v. Morocco 0.

West Germany 5 (Muller 3, Libuda, Seeler) v. Bulgaria 2 (Nikodimov, Kolev).

STANDINGS

	W	D	L	F	A	P
West Germany	2	—	—	7	3	4
Peru	2	—	—	6	2	4
Bulgaria	—	—	2	4	8	—
Morocco	—	—	2	1	5	—

SOCCER "GREATS" HAVE THEIR SAY

MEXICO CITY, Tuesday — Most of the great names — past and present — in world soccer are gathered in Mexico for the World Cup.

Here is a random selection of their views, impressions and comments after watching two full rounds:

Alfredo Di Stefano: "Brazil will win the World Cup. Peru, if they win their group, will be their opponents in the final. England have been very disappointing so far. Their attack is woeful."

Lev Yashin: "The USSR seems set for a great World Cup. We should do better than in 1966 when we came fourth. The Peruvians look tremendous. They, Brazil and West Germany will be the Soviet Union's biggest threats."

Billy Wright: It's good to see attacking football coming back to the fore in this World Cup, but let's not bury England just because they lost to a truly great Brazil. If England gets through to the quarterfinals I think we will be treated to another Brazil v. England — this time in a memorable final."

Fritz Walter (captain of West Germany's 1954 World Champion team): "For me the atmosphere so far has been the highlight of this World Cup. No country could have caught World Cup fever better than the Mexicans. Mexico, however, won't win the Cup. I like Germany's chances although we come up against Brazil or England in the quarterfinals. To date Peru and Brazil have impressed me most."

Helenio Herrera: "The Italians have been most disappointing. They are not taking advantage of their wonderfully gifted forwards. Riva is certainly as brilliant as any forward in Mexico, but he is not given the chance to show his true ability. It looks like a Latin American World Cup to me. A pity Brazil and Peru may have to meet so early. Either would have been a worthy world champion."

Joao Saldanha (Brazil's recently deposed manager): "Brazil must tighten up in defence. Attack alone doesn't win World Cups. I wouldn't write England off altogether yet, but her task of pulling through to the semis will be tough because the Germans and the Peruvians also have strong claims for a berth in the final. The excellent display by all the Latin Americans clearly proves, that 1966 was an exception, and that South American football is still, and always was, the best in the world."

Sir Stanley Rous (FIFA president): "The Mexicans have done an excellent job in this World Cup. Attendances, however, are a trifle disappointing, especially at Toluca, Puebla and Leon, but should pick up from the quarterfinal onwards. I'm pleased the referees are firm and standing for no nonsense. I don't expect any incidents to mar what is a great World Cup."

— JOHN HAVAS

ISRAELIS PLEASED

TEL-AVIV, Tuesday — Israel's World Cup performances have delighted the country's notoriously hard to please soccer fans.

Sunday's 1-1 draw with Sweden thrilled the nation which watched the match live on television.

Last week's match against Uruguay was marred by technical difficulties and only a few minutes came through live.

Before the World Cup started public opinion polls glumly forecast that Israel would lose all its three matches by a four-goal margin.

The team's courageous displays and the brilliant first half against Uruguay, which surprised every neutral pressman at Puebla, have been greeted with pride in this war-torn country.

Israelis are grateful that their national team didn't let them down.

Irrespective of the result against Italy, Israel's first-ever World Cup appearance will have exceeded even the most optimistic expectations.

MEXICAN HEADLINES

In an unprecedented gesture, the organisers of the World Cup have decided to donate the entire gate takings of the final on June 21 to the world-wide relief fund for the victims of Peru's disastrous earthquakes which claimed 35,000 lives.

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While the English have shunned contacts with the Mexican population at large, the Italians are indulging in first class public relations and are reaping the benefits of their "meet the Mexicans" campaign with friendly articles in the Press and favorable support from the terraces. The Italians paid a visit to Onofre's hospital the day after the Mexican star broke his leg at training, and they are distributing colorful Italian dolls in national costumes to the Mexican children they meet. The Italians also won more friends by extolling the qualities of Mexican wine which they are drinking with all their meals.

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Even though there are no student and worker demonstrations as before and during the last Olympic Games, the Mexican Government is taking no chances and has lined the 13 miles from the centre of Mexico City to the Azteca Stadium with a soldier every five yards or so and thousands more have been assigned to the provincial cities and to the competing teams who are shadowed by armed militia every minute of the day.

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Journalists at the World Cup, like their colleagues at the Olympics 18 months ago, are getting to learn the use of a new word — "mordida" — not exactly a bribe but a palm-greasing operation to get immediate action and without a too frequent use of the ever-ready "momentito" which can stretch from one hour to a convenient never. Thus a telephone which costs next to nothing to be installed takes a $200 pay-off to ensure immediate installation. Taxis, a must in sprawling Mexico City where distances are enormous, have also got into the act and a trip from the Maria Isabel Hotel, the official World Cup Press Centre, to the Azteca Stadium which normally costs $1.20 has been bumped up to $5!

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The Rumanian players have donated half of their appearance fees — which are quite high by Eastern European standards — to the victims of the recent disastrous floods back home.

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Only the best will do for England. They have brought their own bus with them. The air-conditioned bus has all the latest mod cons, including three card tables, a bar (stocked with soft drinks and mineral waters only), tea and coffee machines, a movie projector, a screen and a stereo sound system.

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The first of the hundreds of player awards sponsored by the Mexican mass media went to Dynamo Moscow's left winger Gennadi Evriuzhikhin, who was positively brilliant in the opening match against Mexico. Australian defenders who nearly went out of their minds chasing him earlier this year can take comfort in the thought that the world's best fullbacks, gathered in Mexico, are also terrified of him.

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According to "Ovaciones", the mass-circulation Mexican sports daily, this is the official count of supporters who travelled to Mexico to support their teams: USSR 29, Belgium 290, El Salvador 27,500, Italy 1,121, Uruguay 2,600, Israel 204 (including 134 from the USA), Sweden 130, England 4.640, Brazil 3,250, Rumania 24, Czechoslovakia 38, West Germany 3,832, Peru 1,605, Bulgaria 18 and Morocco 3.

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Nth. Bankstown in fourth place after sparkling win

— By KEITH GILMOUR —

Dean Pitman, promoted from North Bankstown's reserve team, used his speed to score the only goal of the match against West Sutherland at George Green Park last Sunday.

After Wentworthville's narrow loss to Guildford, Wenty and North Bankstown are now level in fourth position.

Pitman, who is gaining experience as a sprinter, was promoted as a goal-grabber and the plan paid off.

Fifteen minutes into the game he swept in from the right wing position to score.

As the game progressed, West Sutherland excelled in field play, only to have their forwards break down in front of goal.

Norths' goalkeeper, Larry Cunningham, saved everything that came his way.

Their win was most creditable in that the team was without three players.

Belmore improving

Belmore continued their improvement with a 4-1 win over Marrickville.

They laid the foundation for victory over the first 30 minutes, giving Marrickville no respite, to the extent that Marrickville never looked like wresting back the initiative.

Gary Townsend (2) and Ross Brown were early scorers, and Belmore led 3-1 at half-time.

Marrickville had two attempts with a penalty, but with no success.

A big crowd at Guildford Park dodged the rain, and saw Guildford play a leader's role to fight back for a 2-1 win, after Wenty had led 1-0 at halftime through a Bob Simpson goal.

Wenty held out to the 60th minute, but Guildford came back like demons to take the points.

Campbelltown in

Campbelltown opened up the Second Division race with a 2-1 win over the leader, Arncliffe Scots.

Both sides played fluent football and stood locked at one goal apiece until the 90th minute, when Campbelltown scored from the head following an out-swinging corner kick.

It was Arncliffe's first loss in 20 matches, and apart from the late goal it was Campbelltown's packed defence that did the trick.

Rosebery Rhodes, the Third Division leader, came to the half-way point of the competition with 11 straight wins.

WITH THE AMATEURS

Rosebery defeated Greenacre 6-1 at Turruwull Park in the rain.

Joseph Athanassiou (3), Con Grigoras, Jim Kontis and Spiro Tsekouras were the scorers.

RESULTS

FIRST DIVISION

Eastside v. Banks	2-1	0-3
Riverside v. Lane Cove	1-2	3-4
Sth. Sydney v. Enmore	0-8	0-3
Marrickville v. Belmore	1-4	1-1
Guildford v. Wenty	2-1	1-3
N. B'town v. W. S'land	1-0	0-4

SECOND DIVISION

Gladesv. v. Condell Pk.	2-2	2-2
A'cffe Scots v. C'town	1-2	3-0
Uni. NSW v. Warringah	2-1	1-2
B'town v. Kewpie	3-2	1-4
Revesby W. v. Lidcombe	7-1	11-2
Yagoona v. Newtown	0-2	1-1

THIRD DIVISION

Dee Why v. Sydney Uni.	0-4	4-2
West Ryde v. Auburn	3-2	1-1
Chelsea v. Bondi	3-5	2-0
Rosebery v. Greenacre	6-1	5-2
Nepean v. Ravens	0-2	2-3
Liverpool v. Fairfield	0-3	1-0

FOURTH DIVISION

Greenwich v. Thornleigh	4-1	7-0
Ku-ring-gai v. Castle Hill	5-0	7-0
Padstow v. Revesby R.	1-3	3-2
A'cffe RSL v. Magpie	1-4	2-4

"Croweaters" want a shot at N.S.W.

— From ALLAN CRISP in Adelaide —

SA are determined to defeat Victoria at Hindmarsh on Monday (June 15), because a decisive win should entitle the "croweaters" to a long-awaited crack at NSW.

Why should NSW snub SA?

After all the Sydneyites could only manage two draws with Victoria this season!

SA also drew with Victoria in Melbourne on a rain-soaked Olympic Park when, at that stage, Adelaide grounds had been bone dry.

Granted, the NSW sides were below strength, but according to Sydney reports NSW could field 10 State teams capable of knocking-off SA . . .

You'll find it difficult also to convince South Australians that John Perin is the only local good enough to pull on an Australian shirt.

SA crashed 0-4 to Manchester City, but so too did NSW in their return engagement.

The Adelaide game either proved that Manchester are a better side than Moscow Dynamo, Inter Bratislava and the recent Rumanian tourists, or that SA gave a sub-standard performance against the Englishmen.

We watched Victoria lose by three goals to Manchester City on television and saw little in the Victorian method likely to strike terror into the hearts of SA.

If by some remote chance the sluggish Victorians should manage to match SA's pacy style, this "croweater" will munch humble pie.

I don't really anticipate an enforced change of diet, however, and after SA win I will increase my stirring until the mighty NSW lower themselves to play us humble southerners.

ADELAIDE SCORES

Lions 1 (Ball) v. Hellas 1 (Pantelis), Azzurri 3 (Lindsay, Peterson, Bracken) v. Port Adelaide 1 (Hayes), Cumberland 1 (Doris) v. Victoria 0, Polonia 2 (Kolecki Larecki) v. Juventus 1 (Tamandl), Budapest 5 (Bakurski 2, Yeing, Reynolds, Pike) v. Croatia 3 (Slager 2, Bilic).

SA TABLE

Polonia	**6**	**1**	**1**	**16**	**5**	**13**
Hellas	**4**	**—**	**4**	**29**	**7**	**12**
Juventus	**5**	**1**	**1**	**19**	**7**	**11**
Lion	**4**	**2**	**2**	**14**	**8**	**10**
Budapest	4	4	—	14	17	8
Azzurri	2	2	3	9	6	7
Victoria	2	4	2	11	7	6
C'land	2	5	1	9	16	5
Croatia	2	6	—	7	26	4
Port	1	7	—	7	36	2

Bremen tour was poorly supported

Fans missed sampling a highly professional brand of top European football when they failed to turn up in large numbers to see West Germany's Werder Bremen against Prague and South Coast last week.

Prague's progressive venture in sponsoring the Germans' visit deserved a better fate and makes one wonder whether Sydney's soccer public deserves the chance to watch overseas teams.

Werder Bremen played a fluent brand of soccer of the VfB Stuttgart vintage and were certainly every bit as polished as the depleted Manchester City.

The two local sides put up sterling opposition and both matches were thoroughly enjoyable.

Our match reports:

Werder v. Prague 2-0

A pity the rain kept so many people away last Wednesday week because those who were absent would have seen an entertaining match.

Prague in the first half played as well as any Sydney team this year, Hakoah included, and matched the Germans in all departments.

They swung the ball around intelligently and elegantly. But for their usual poor finishing they could have turned around in the lead.

Prague continued to play above themselves in the second half, but they were done for in a four-minute spell when Goerts, the tricky Werder right winger, laid on goals for Schutz (off a freekick) and Lorenz.

Prague: King, Tracey (Spinks), Zeman, Rootsey, Blacker, Blanco, Armytage, Manuel, Reilly, Tooma, Pollard (Butler).

Werder Bremen: Bernard, Zembski, Coordes, Steinmann, Schutz, Schmidt, Goerts, Bjoernmose, Windhausen, Hasebrink (Danielssen), Lorenz.

Scorers: Schutz 59 min., Lorenz 63 min.

Referee: H. Parsons.

Crowd: 1,500.

— Lou Gautier

Werder v. South Coast 1-0

Eighteen hours after playing Prague, Werder Bremen won another exciting match, this time at Woonona.

Although outpaced for most of the match, South Coast were definitely not outclassed.

In fact, the United defence had the better of the German forwards throughout, and only conceded a goal through a penalty when Gleeson handled unnecessarily.

Max Tolson was the star of the South Coast forward-line and his stirring duel with the visitors' veteran stopper, Schutz, was the highlight of a satisfying match.

South Coast: Hughes, Gleeson, Hall, Anderson, Wilson, Walker, Flanagan, McAvoy, Armstrong (Stewart), McGunnigle, Tolson.

Werder Bremen: Bernard (Stefens), Zembski, Coordes, Steinmann, Schutz, Meyer, Goerts, Bjoernmose, Windhausen (Danielssen), Schmidt, Lorenz.

Scorer: Schutz (penalty) 60 min.

Referee: F. Sbisa.

Crowd: 1,800.

— Peter Schumacher

● In Melbourne last Sunday Werder Bremen beat Victoria 2-1 with two goals by right-winger Goerts. Micic scored for Victoria.

BILLY RICE MAY JOIN MINISTRY

— From JIM COOK in Melbourne —

Billy Rice, the former Victorian and Australian defender, has been missing from the JUST line-up for the past ten weeks. Unconfirmed reports say that Billy has quit soccer to study for the ministry.

Willie Armour, whom Croatia bought from George Cross at the start of this year for over $2,000 and who sustained a bad leg injury soon after making his debut for Croatia in the early stages of the night soccer, is now back in training.

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Syd Steele, the longest-serving Wilhelmina player who has been with them seven years and is still only 27, is on the transfer list. A goal-scoring forward, he has played in every forward position for the Ringwood club.

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Frank Bot, the 34-year-old Hungarian-born full-back of Croatia, has announced his retirement from State League soccer after serving Croat/Croatia for nine years. Frank, who is an electrician with the SEC and works alongside Jim Malloy of Polonia, is also in business with his wife. He is undecided on his future in soccer, but would like to retain an interest in the game by helping out either in the managerial or coaching side of a minor club.

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The mortality rate of State League coaches is something of a joke in Victorian soccer. But a "Soccer News" report last week that Lou Brocic was the man in charge of Juventus while Tony Baggio is at the helm of JUST was just too much to swallow.

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Bob Dobbing, a 21-year-old fullback who had three years as a full-time professional with Coventry City reserves and spent the past season as a first team regular with Hartlepools United, is due to arrive in Australia late next month to join Melbourne-HSC.

PEN PORTRAITS OF JARDINE'S CHINESE STARS

The Jardine Sports Association team now touring Australia is comprised of employees of the Jardine Import and Export Company of Hong Kong which has 3780 employees on its payroll.

The contingent of 19 which set out on a tour of Asia and the Pacific in May includes three officials, D.A.H. Hardy, team manager, and C.S. Wong and S. K. Koo, Committee members.

The coach is **Lok Tak Hing**, 33, who represented Hong Kong on many occasions at fullback, played in the 1964 Asian Cup final and toured Europe before completing the tough Asian coaching course in Japan.

First choices

The run-down on the Chinese players:

● **Chow Ghee Keong:** goalkeeper, 24, a Malaysian-Chinese who joined Jardine in December, 1969 as a professional. Represented Malaysia and was a member of the Asian All-Stars in 1968-69.

● **Lok Tak Fai:** right-back, 19. Brother of coach Lok Tak Hing, represented Hong Kong twice in the Asian Youth Cup Tournament and has been capped several times for the Hong Kong national team.

● **Cheng Yun Yue:** left-back, 23. A skillful defender who won the Hong Kong "best defender of the year" award last season. A regular choice for the Hong Kong national team since 1967 and has also participated in the Merdeka Tournament and Asian Cup final of 1968.

● **Chan Hung Ping:** right-half, 26. A versatile attacking half-back and Nationalist Chinese international who participated in many major tournaments, notably the Merdeka Tournament and the 1968 Asian Cup final in Teheran. Also a member of the Asian All Stars.

● **Kung Wah Kit** (Captain): Centre-half, 33. Has played First Division soccer since 1954. Represented Hong Kong on many occasions and participated in the Asian Cup finals of 1964 and 1968. Another member of the Asian All Star team.

● **Cheung Yiu Kwok:** left-half, 26 years. A dribbling wizzard with excellent ball control and footwork as useful in the attack as in defence. A regular choice in the Hong Kong national team. Participated in the Asian Cup finals of 1964 and 1968 and in many Merdeka tournaments.

● **Li Kwok Keung:** outside-right, 26 years. A speedy and deceptive winger who has represented Hong Kong since 1964 and who participated in the Merdeka Tournament and Asian Cup finals of 1964 and 1968.

● **Cheung Kwok Kan:** inside-right, 23. Hong Kong's most consistent sharp-shooting inside-forward. Represented his country in the Merdeka Tournament and the 1968 Asian Cup final.

● **Cheung Che Doy:** centre-forward, 27. One of the most skillful footballers in Hong Kong and one of only two players who has played professional soccer abroad — with Blackpool in 1961 and the Vancouver Royals (Canada) in 1968. Twice a member of the Asian All Star team — in 1966 and 1967, and winner of the Hong Kong top scorer award in 1967. A regular choice for Nationalist China.

● **Wong Man Way:** inside-left, 26. Represented Nationalist China in the 1960 Olympics in Rome and on other occasions. Toured Australia and New Zealand with Sing Tao in 1967. A linkman and midfield schemer.

● **Kwong Yin Ying:** outside left, 30. His speed and deception make him the best left winger in Hong Kong today. A regular choice in Hong Kong national teams since 1966, participated in the Merdeka Tournament and the 1968 Asian Cup final.

Reserves

● **Kwok Tak Sing:** goalkeeper, 27. An Indonesian Overseas Chinese who represented Nationalist China in the Merdeka Tournament and Asian Cup final of 1968.

● **Wong Chun Lit:** full-back, 28. A Nationalist Chinese international.

● **If Fuk Kwong:** forward or half-back, 22. Promising player who represented Hong Kong in the Bangkok Youth Tournament in 1966, then the Asian Cup final in Teheran in 1968. Speedy and versatile with a powerful shot.

● **Lo Hung Hoi:** Outside left, 20. A new player who played for the Hong Kong Youth team on several occasions.

● **Wong Chuen Wah:** forward, 22. Hails from the Salangor Chinese Recreation Club of Kuala Lumpur. Has played for Malaysia.

Wests' likely team on Wednesday:

Kelly, Van Blerk, Hargreaves, Johnston, Harrison (Guildea), Blue, Scully, Bijkerk, Hood (Hindmarsh), Byles, Pont. Guest player: JOHNNY WARREN.

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RESULTS & SCORERS

South Sydney

3 (1)

Shepherd 16 min. (penalty), Doyle 53 min., F. Cush 64 min.

Melita E.

0 (0)

Ryde

1 (1)

Brajkovic 13 min. (penalty).

Hakoah

0 (0)

Sth. Coast

0 (0)

A.P.I.A

4 (1)

Forster 9 min., Blues 65 and 70 mins., Campbell 88 min. (penalty).

P. Hellenic

1 (1)

Demos 31 min.

Prague

1 (1)

G. Manuel 42 min.

Marconi

0 (0)

St. George

2 (1)

Ainslie 5 min., Warren 78 min.

HOW THEY LINED UP

Corry 3, McDonald 3, Page 3 (replaced by Williams 63 min.), Lincoln 3, Shepherd 4, Darvill 3 (Carr 3), Taylor 4, Wright 3, Doyle 3, F. Cush 3, Ross 3.

TOTAL: 35. Coach: R. Foster.

Match rating: ✻ ✻

Eaton 3, Knaus 3, Hunter 3 (replaced Hewlett 40 min.), McAusland 3, De Bruin 3 (replaced by McAllister 75 min.), Duffy 4, Martin 2, Smith 2, Thorne 2, Goldie 2, MacDougall 2.

TOTAL: 29. Coach: K. Jaros.

Cajkusic 4, *Crnic* 5, Nacinovic 4, Waters 4, *Rudic* 5, *Rafaneli* 5, J. Alagich 3, Brajkovic 3, Campbell 2, Takac 4, Duggan 2.

TOTAL: 41. Coach: L. Baumgartner.

Match rating: ✻ ✻ ✻ ✻

Haffey 3, Davey 4, Yaager 4, *Watkiss* 5, Marnoch 4, *Walsh* 5, Rutherford 3 (replaced Parkin 2 halftime), *Hennessy* 5, Keddie 2, Baartz 3, Blitz 3.

TOTAL: 41. Coach: M. Jones.

Hughes 3, Gleeson 3, Cuthbert 4, Anderson 3, Wilson 4, Walker 4, Flanagan 3, McAvoy 3 (replaced by Beattie 55 min.), Armstrong 3, McGuinnigle 3 (replaced by Stewart 60 min.), Tolson 3.

TOTAL: 36. Coach: T. Anderson.

Match rating: ✻ ✻ ✻

McQuire 4, Keith 4, Ackerley 4, McGillivray 4, Sambrook 3, Ridley 4 (replaced Bottalico 30 min.), *Blues* 5, Campbell 3, Forster 4, McKinnon 4, Mackinnon 3 (replaced by Montgomery 60 min.).

TOTAL: 42. Coach: F. Dunaj.

Maglis 3, Stanley 3, Hanson 3, McDermott 4, Skafidas 4, Hignett 3, Vrolyks 3, Barboutis 3, *McCulloch* 5, B. Smith 3, Demos 3 (replaced by Cullerton).

TOTAL: 37. Coach: G. Yangou.

Match rating: ✻ ✻ ✻

King 3, Spinks 3, Zeman 3, Rootsey 3, Blacker 4, Blanco 3, Armytage 3, G. Manuel 4, Reilly 3, Tooma 3 (replaced by Butler), Pollard 3 (replaced by Tansley).

TOTAL: 35. Coach: W. Tamandl.

Murray 4, *Roche* 5, Nuttall 4, Richards 4, Taylor 2 (replaced by Telfer), Malone 4, Danajevits 3, Giacometti 3, Scheinflug 4, Griffiths 3, Jones 4.

TOTAL: 40. Coach: L. Scheinflug.

Match rating: ✻ ✻ ✻ ✻

Fraser 4, Sandell 4, Hillary 3, Schaefer 4 (replaced by Morgan), Bird 4, Cliss 3, Abonyi 3, *Warren* 5, Denton 4, Alston 4, Ainslie 4.

TOTAL: 42. Coach: F. Arok.

SUMMING UP THE MATCHES

A depressing match played in front of empty terraces. Those who didn't turn up missed nothing. It was dull, uninspiring stuff from start to finish with Souths always in command. The winners didn't have to play particularly well to come out easy winners against a totally inept Melita Eagles who are headed straight for relegation unless they bolster their attack. There was no Melita forwards to speak of and Duffy alone rose above mediocrity for the losers. Taylor and Shepherd served South Sydney best. Souths played pedestrian soccer, but against this lifeless, colorless and purposeless Melita it was more than enough for the easiest of wins.

Crowd: 700. Referee: F. Sbisa

— LOU GAUTIER

Ryde survived a tremendous second half battering to inflict on Hakoah their first defeat of the season. Hakoah only have themselves to blame for losing their previously unblemished record. In a rough second half they had enough chances to score a convincing victory, but as the minutes ticked away it became obvious that Ryde's ruthlessly uncompromising defenders had the measure of a Hakoah attack which couldn't find its feet on the treacherous surface. Little was seen of the Ryde attack in a match which belonged to their rearguard and midfielders. Hakoah played the better football throughout, but their forwards just couldn't get the ball past Cajkusic.

Crowd: 2,015. Referee: N. Jones.

— LOU GAUTIER

After an even first half played in the hard style which characterises matches between these two teams, APIA piled on the pressure to run out easy winners in the second half. Although the visitors took the lead early in the game they were hard pressed to cling on to their slender lead until halftime. South Coast tried desperately to equalise, but when APIA went further ahead through the brilliance of George Blues — the best man on the park — it was curtains for an increasingly outclassed United. APIA played copybook football. Their game was fast and fluent and the continual overlapping by fullbacks Keith and Ackerley totally nonplussed the flat-footed South Coast defence.

Crowd: 4,000. Referee: A. Boskovic.

— PETER SCHUMACHER

Pan Hellenic would have won as comfortably as they deserved had their forwards capitalised on the many chances that came their way. Pan Hellenic were on top for all but the last 20 minutes of the first half, but had to be content with a draw at the final whistle because their attack again lacked creativity and poise. Prague, beaten for the ball in the midfield, can be pleased with their hard earned point. Their display was disappointing — nowhere near as pleasing as against Werder Bremen — and the only redeeming features of their play was the good form shown by Blacker and Gary Manuel, who never stopped chasing balls which rarely came.

Crowd: 2,234. Referee: H. Parsons.

— MIKE RENWICK

St. George won the two points, but very little else against a determined and decidedly unlucky Marconi. Marconi frittered away so many scoring opportunities that with any degree of accuracy they could well have turned defeat into a comfortable victory. The inspiration of Johnny Warren — the only bright spot in the side — could not get St. George going, and it was Marconi who dominated the midfield — and the game — almost throughout. Although hard hit by injuries, Marconi fielded a strong defence which mastered the skill of the star-studded St. George forward line, except for the two simple lapses early and late in the game which resulted in goals. The trio of Roche, Scheinflug and Malone in the Marconi backline was the backbone of the side and against less experienced opposition would have swung the result their way.

Crowd: 5,735. Referee: N. Campbell.

— CHARLES SPITERI

COACHES COMMENT

Rex Foster: "The boys played well and won. More important, however, they picked themselves up from the floor after the thrashing they received from St. George one week earlier. This shows they have the spirit to challenge for the semifinals."

Karl Jaros: "Our forwards were again non-existent. But this time the defence wasn't any better. So what's left? Melita made Souths look better than they are."

Leo Baumgartner: "I'm proud of the way the boys held out in the second half. Hakoah are a good team. By beating them, Ryde showed they are in the top four to stay."

Mick Jones: "The slippery conditions didn't suit our style and the refereeing didn't help either. We should have clinched it in the second half when we enjoyed the lion's share of the ball."

Tommy Anderson: "The boys did not follow instructions. Their indiscipline caused the team's downfall."

Ferdo Dunaj: "We played very well and created some fine openings. More important, the forwards took their chances splendidly. APIA's slump is now well and truly over."

George Yangou: "We again failed to convert our many scoring chances. We just have to learn to score from our forwards' opportunities."

Walter Tamandl: "The slippery pitch didn't suit Prague's style of football. Our midfield also failed to take a firm grip on proceedings and allowed Pan Hellenic too much room to operate."

Les Scheinflug: "On today's performance we should have taken at least a point, but we just can't get the breaks we badly need."

Frank Arok: "Competition games are decided on goals scored and we got them here. Marconi do not deserve to be at the bottom of the table. They are stronger than their lowly position indicates."

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TEAM OF THE WEEK

McQUIRE (APIA)

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RUDIC (Ryde)

WATKISS (Hakoah) — RAFANELI (Ryde)

WARREN (St. George) — McKINNON (APIA)

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Four points up for grabs for title-chasing Ryde

— By LOU GAUTIER —

Flushed with their success over Hakoah, Ryde have a big week coming up — and the opportunity to add another four points for a crack at first place on the table.

ROUND 11

On Thursday, at Granville, they meet South Sydney in a deferred first round match, and on Sunday travel to Woonona to meet last year's ailing champions.

Hakoah, still the leaders, but only just, should return to the winning list, but their immediate pursuers, St. George, face a stiff challenge from the surprising Auburn.

The outlooks:

Ryde v. South Sydney

Thursday evening's deferred match at Macarthur Park, Granville, is one of the most important ties of the week as it features two strong "semifinal" prospects.

A defeat would relegate Souths a long way behind their conquerors, so they must win at all costs to bridge the gap and stay near the top of the ladder.

Hakoah's conquerors, playing their best football for some time, will take some beating.

Their well organised defence, marshalled by Rudic, Crnic and Rafaneli, should be capable of holding a timid South Sydney attack where only Taylor — when in the mood — supplies any evidence of imagination.

Ryde gets our nod to win in front of a large crowd which will be admitted free.

St. George v. Auburn

Showing a clear upward trend, the Hakoah-chasing Saints cannot afford a slip-up against the season's surprise-packets.

Auburn are showing the benefits of competent coaching and intelligent, ambitious team-building, and as their record this season suggests they are a match for any team.

The likely return of Quested will boost their aggressive, free-scoring forward-line further.

St. George, who have stormed back into top form, will have to put their best defensive foot forward to cope with the Schneiders, Hoggarts and Questeds.

They can't afford any lapses against the nippy, eager Auburn who care little for reputations.

A win, even a draw, would just about install Auburn as firm "semifinal" prospects.

The more polished and potentially explosive St. George forwards should carry the day after a hard and interesting tussle.

Prague v. APIA

APIA have come good with a vengeance, and can't stop now if they want to bridge the big gap which still separates them from a place in the first four.

Prague, so disappointing week after week, can only hope to resist effectively if they reproduce the form shown against Werder Bremen.

Nothing short of last Wednesday week's display will give them any chance against the revitalised APIA.

APIA's attack has come to life again, and in Blues the Leichhardt team has Sydney's form forward of the moment, and certainly the top winger.

Despite Gary Manuel's improved form against Pan Hellenic, Prague still have no attack to speak of, and it's hard to see their hesitant, goal-shy forwards creating any problems to Keith, Ackerley and Co.

It would be a big surprise if Prague halted APIA's march forward, even though the match is played at Marks Field, a ground which holds painful memories for APIA.

APIA should win with something to spare and continue their climb up the ladder.

Hakoah v. South Sydney

Hakoah have turned sour. Unable to score once in their last two outings, their forward-line no longer functions despite the abundance of talent at coach Jones' disposal.

It may only be a coincidence, but Hakoah haven't been the same since Fekete's injury against APIA.

After a promising start to the championship which saw him bang in 10 goals, striker Keddie has struck wretched form while Blitz seems to have lost much of his effervescence recenly.

Hakoah's defence, however, is as solid as ever with Walsh, Watkiss, Yaager and Marnoch actually playing better now, but poor finishing up front has caused the team's downfall in the last two weeks.

Hakoah could come good against Souths, a team well within their reach and lacking in really outstanding, match-winning talent despite some big names.

Hakoah, we feel, could start showing signs of convalescence on Sunday and get back on the winning track.

South Coast v. Ryde

Ryde are a much better team than most people give them credit for as they have amply proved this year.

Any team which can scalp opponents of the calibre of APIA, St. George and Hakoah deserve healthy respect.

While Ryde are emerging as a certain "final four" contender, South Coast can't seem to vacate the death seat at the bottom of the table.

Their thrashing by APIA just when they looked set for a revival must worry coach Anderson and their prospects on Sunday against the methodical Ryde are not too bright either.

Ryde, in previous seasons, have done better than most at Woonona. Now that they have a well-knit, purposeful and match-winning combination, Coast's task will be all the tougher.

Unless Ryde fall foul of the suspect temperament of some of their key players, and allow themselves to be bustled and rattled, they should join the growing list of recent winners at Woonona.

Canterbury v. Pan Hellenic

Despite the relatively low position of both teams, Monday's Arlington clash should draw the largest crowd of the round.

Canterbury have done much better than expected with their mixture of Australian youth and Greco-British experience which has earned them valuable points.

It's already obvious that neither team can hope for better than middle-of-the-table status this year. Neither has the all-round talent and depth to play a leading role in the championship.

At Arlington, Canterbury have often played above themselves and, as against Marconi two weeks ago, have retrieved seemingly hopeless situations.

This needle match between "Greeks" should provide fireworks and plenty of action.

The game may not delight the purists, but thrills galore are on the cards.

It looks very much like a draw.

Melita Eagles v. Marconi

The loser at Mona Park will be in hot water, especially if Marconi are once again on the receiving end.

Marconi's mediocre results are hard to fathom. They have the players to do much better, but, somehow fail to make any impression week after week.

Melita, sad to say, are in short supply of First Division material.

This was painfully evident against a very ordinary South Sydney last week.

Of all the teams in First Division, their forwards are by far the most inept, and their defence is not too hot either this year.

It's difficult to see them improving in the weeks to come unless they bolster their side in many positions.

Marconi, despite all their present woes, should pick themselves up from the floor on Monday and add two welcome, overdue points.

CROWDS

Last week's attendance: 14,684 (16,673).

Average attendance per match: 2,937 (2,777).

Attendance after 10 rounds: 140,097 (166,703).

Weekly average attendance: 14,009 (16,670).

● **In brackets, last year's corresponding crowds.**

LEADING SCORERS

Baartz (Hakoah)	**14**
Keddie (Hakoah)	10
Abonyi (St. George)	8
Schneider (Auburn)	8
Denton (St. George)	7
Doyle (South Sydney)	7
Warren (St. George)	7
Alston (St. George)	6
Quested (Auburn)	6
Blitz (Hakoah)	5
Brajkovic (Ryde)	5
Campbell (APIA)	5
Forster (APIA)	5
Rutherford (Hakoah)	5
B. Smith (Pan Hellenic)	5

PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Sydney's form winger of the moment, GEORGE BLUES, of APIA, is our Player of the Week for his scintillating match-winning display against South Coast.

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TIPSTERS' CORNER

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCHES	P. Dean	L. Gautier	K. Gilmour	C. Spiteri	F. Jordan	Most favored
Ryde v. South Sydney	1	1	1	2	1	1
St. George v. Auburn	1	1	2	1	1	1
Prague v. APIA	2	2	2	2	2	2
Hakoah v. South Sydney	1	1	1	1	1	1
SCU v. Ryde	2	2	2	x	x	2
Canterbury v. Pan Hellenic	2	x	1	2	2	2
Melita Eagles v. Marconi	1	2	2	2	x	2
Polonia v. Corinthians	1	1	1	1	1	1
Artarmon v. NS-Inter	x	2	2	2	2	2
Granville v. Balgownie	x	2	x	1	x	x
Concordia v. Hornsby-NE	x	1	1	1	1	1
Bankstown v. Sutherland	2	x	x	x	2	x
Manly v. Western Suburbs	x	2	2	2	2	2

How they tipped: L. Gautier 69; K. Gilmour 68; C. Spiteri 67, F. Jordan 63, P. Dean 55.

RESULT SCOREBOARD

	APIA	Auburn	Canterbury	South Sydney	Hakoah	Marconi	Melita Eagles	Pan Hellenic	Prague	St. George	South Coast	Ryde
APIA	●	1-3		3-0	0-1	2-1		4-1				1-2
Auburn		●	6-5	3-2			0-0	4-2			4-0	1-2
Canterbury	1-1		●		0-6	3-2				1-4		1-1
South Sydney			0-0	●		1-1	3-0	2-1			4-2	
Hakoah		7-1			●			5-1	6-1	2-1	0-0	
Marconi		3-0			0-3	●			2-3	0-2		3-1
Melita Eagles	1-0		1-1		2-5		●	0-2				1-1
Pan Hellenic						3-0		●	1-1	0-3		2-2
Prague		1-3	3-0	1-5			1-1		●		2-0	
St. George	5-2			6-0			3-0		3-1	●	5-2	
South Coast	0-4		1-2			3-1	2-1	2-3			●	
Ryde					1-0				2-1	3-2		●

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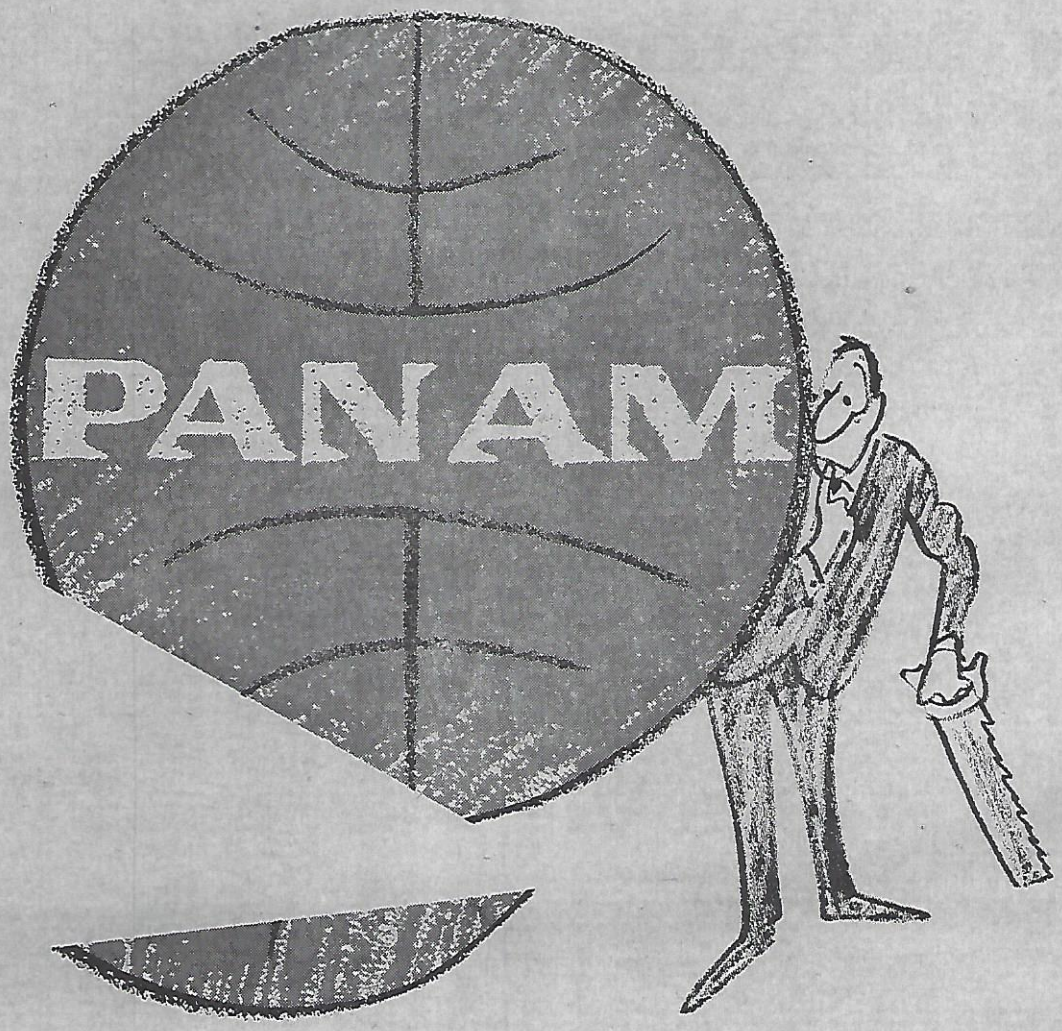

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SYDNEY CLUB PATROL

HANS TILKOWSKI, West Germany's goalkeeper in the 1966 World Cup who now coaches Werder Bremen, said in Sydney this week that he was impressed by the standard of the opposition his team had met in Australia. Tilkowski was particularly enthusiastic about Prague's youthful Larry Armytage and Reilly and South Coast's Max Tolson and goalie Hughes. He rates Prague a better football-playing team than South Coast, but thinks that the provincials, despite their lowly position in the competition this season, would not be disgraced in West German regional league football, the equivalent of Second Division.

ORANGE WARATAH visit Sydney on Sunday to play Greenwich in the NSW Amateur Cup at Gore Creek at 2 p.m. The winner of this tie meets Queens Park in the next round.

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Normanhurst High defeated Wallsend High on "corners" before a crowd of 1,000 at Crystal Palace, Wallsend, in the Tasman Cup, after a 1-1 draw. Normanhurst's goal was scored by MURRAY BARNES, now playing with Hakoah's third team.

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Prague "OLD BOYS" beat Second Division Concordia 2-0 at Marks Field in a curtain-raiser to the Werder Bremen match last Wednesday. This was a nostalgic match with so many of the Prague greats of the late 1950's and early sixties on view. Leo Baumgartner, as in his playing days, stole the show. Age and weight haven't dimmed his flawless technique and some of his through-passes and footwork would still come in handy in the hurly-burly of today's competition. A fit Leo would still have his place in any First Division team.

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A photograph of last year's Australia v. Israel World Cup qualifying match is featured in a leading article in the June issue of the READERS DIGEST about the World Cup. Australia's participation in the series is discussed at some length.

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ADRIAN RINGLAND was transferred from South Coast to Bulli Workers, the local Illawarra District club, last week.

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Melita Eagles are showing an interest in South Coast's speedy Australian-born winger, PETER BEATTIE, who returned to Coast's first grade team after a long absence last weekend.

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Several clubs are trying to sign South Coast forward BRIAN TRISTRAM, but Corinthians are the most likely team to sign him — probably this week.

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Gladesville RSL under-11A, who are coached by Corinthians committee member Alan Gibson, beat North Epping under-12A 4-0 in a match at Jubilee Oval last Sunday. North Epping are coached by Corinthians' winger, Tony Williams.

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The Annual Melita Eagles Ball to crown MISS MELITA EAGLES 1970 is to be held at the Paddington Town Hall on Saturday, June 20. Details can be obtained by ringing 522-9156.

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ALFREDO MOSCHEN, the Marconi stopper, will be out for at least four weeks with a chipped knee bone which is now in plaster.

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HANS FRIEDL, the Bankstown goalkeeper, was married three weeks ago and has taken his bride to his native Switzerland for their honeymoon.

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Former APIA and Australian goalkeeper, JOHN ROBERTS, is likely to move from his English Fourth Division club, Bradford City, next season. Blackburn and Burnley have shown an interest in Roberts, who was rated as the best Fourth Division goalie in England last season. Roberts' transfer tag could be around the $30,000-mark.

RETURN MATCH IN NEWCASTLE

No First Division competition matches will be played on Saturday to enable a Sydney XI to travel to Newcastle for a return match against Northern NSW, beaten 2-0 on Easter Monday in Sydney.

The Sydney team includes two new goalkeepers and three former Novocastrians in Baartz, Schneider and Wright, whose selection comes as a surprise.

The 14-man squad is: Haffey, Kelly (goalkeepers); Schaefer, Roche, Marnoch, Wilson, Yaager, Wright (defenders); Alagich, Schneider, Warren, Baartz, Abonyi, McKinnon (forwards).

THE WARREN INVESTIGATION

The NSW Federation executive has cited John Warren to appear next week to explain allegations he made recently that some players mightn't have been trying against Manchester City because their club coaches threatened to fine them if they got injured.

To us the executive's concern seems quite frivolous.

Their weekly meetings would be better employed in finding ways and means of improving the sorry mess Sydney soccer finds itself in at the moment instead of indulging in witch hunts.

As a soccer columnist, Warren is entitled to his opinions and comments, whether the executive agrees with them or not.

If Warren can be "investigated", then why not also carpet the member of the NSW executive who pleaded with Manchester City to beat NSW 10-1?

Was this a responsible request? — L.G.

REFEREES

First Division: Ryde v. South Sydney — K. Lockrey, Prague v. APIA — N. Campbell, St. George v. Auburn — F. Sbisa, Hakoah v. Croatia — A. R. Brown, SCU v. Ryde — H. Parsons, Canterbury v. Pan Hellenic — A. Boskovic, Melita Eagles v. Marconi — N. Jones.

Second Division: Polonia v. Corinthians — A. Faraone, Artarmon v. NS-Inter — E. Truppe, Granville v. Balgownie — J. Henkelman, Concordia v. Hornsby-NE — L. Rae, Bankstown v. Sutherland — M. Buchanan, Manly v. Western Suburbs — K. Lockrey.

Polonia president Chodkiewicz, whose car was STOLEN at the Moore Park parking area at the first Manchester City match had his car returned with most of the Polonia gear intact after it was found abandoned well and truly bogged in a lonely road at Picton.

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More than 100 members and supporters of Melita Eagles attended a public meeting at Parramatta and gave the club the green light to go ahead with the application for a LICENSED CLUB. The new clubhouse, costing about $90,000, will be built on 1½ acres of land fronting Jeffrey Reserve, near Kissing Point Road on a ground to be constructed by Parramatta Council to bring First Division soccer to Parramatta. It is envisaged that the new football field will be part of a complex which will also include track facilities for athletics similar to that at Marks Field.

SUNDAY GALA AT HURSTVILLE

Sunday's match at Hurstville Oval between St. George-Budapest and Sydney's surprise team of the moment, Auburn, will be a gala affair.

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Fifty footballs will be handed over free of charge to children in attendance, five original creations will be presented to the best dressed ladies and TV personalities will watch the match.

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Hakoah, too, will provide the unusual in their match against South Sydney on Sunday.

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TABLES

FIRST DIVISION

(Second Grade)

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Prague	9	—	1	24	6	18
APIA	5	3	1	24	16	15
South Sydney	7	—	3	32	13	14
Melita Eagles	6	1	3	24	17	13
South Coast	5	2	3	16	13	12
Marconi	4	3	3	19	12	11
Hakoah	2	3	5	12	13	7
Ryde	2	3	5	15	25	7
Canterbury	2	3	5	10	27	7
Auburn	2	2	6	17	24	6
Pan Hellenic	3	—	7	14	21	6
St. George	3	—	7	10	24	6

(Third Grade)

	W	D	L	F	A	P
South Sydney	8	2	—	35	8	18
Hakoah	8	1	1	33	4	17
Prague	6	2	2	29	7	14
South Coast	7	—	3	19	7	14
St. George	5	3	2	17	10	13
APIA	4	3	3	9	11	11
Pan Hellenic	3	2	5	15	17	8
Auburn	4	—	6	13	17	8
Marconi	3	2	5	17	28	8
Ryde	1	2	6	9	21	4
Melita Eagles	1	1	8	4	31	3
Canterbury	—	—	9	5	42	—

SECOND DIVISION

(First Grade)

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Manly	8	2	—	28	12	18
Western Subs.	8	1	1	29	10	17
Sutherland	7	1	2	25	10	15
NS-Inter	4	4	2	19	13	12
Balgownie	5	2	3	16	14	12
Bankstown	5	2	3	20	19	12
Polonia	4	2	4	20	17	10
Artarmon	3	2	5	11	21	8
Granville	3	1	6	21	23	7
Concordia	2	1	7	12	22	5
Corinthians	1	—	9	13	31	2
Hornsby-NE	—	2	8	6	28	2

(Second Grade)

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Manly	10	—	—	37	11	20
Western Subs.	8	2	—	35	12	18
Artarmon	7	1	2	25	15	15
Balgownie	5	1	4	24	16	11
Sutherland	5	1	4	25	19	11
Corinthians	4	2	4	21	20	10
Polonia	4	2	4	16	16	10
Bankstown	3	1	6	20	31	7
NS-Inter	2	1	7	19	27	5
Granville	2	1	7	14	25	5
Concordia	2	—	8	10	30	4
Hornsby-NE	1	2	7	10	34	4

(Third Grade)

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Granville	8	1	1	26	6	17
Balgownie	7	2	1	27	8	16
Bankstown	7	2	1	30	9	16
Western Subs.	7	1	2	36	6	15
Manly	6	—	4	17	13	12
Sutherland	6	—	5	29	20	10
Polonia	5	—	5	19	19	10
Hornsby-NE	4	—	6	20	30	8
Artarmon	3	—	7	15	19	6
Corinthians	2	—	8	8	29	4
Concordia	2	—	8	6	33	4
NS-Inter	1	—	9	5	45	2

AMATEURS

FIRST DIVISION

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Guildford	10	—	1	35	12	20
Enmore	7	2	1	36	12	16
West S'land	6	3	2	30	18	15
Wenty	4	5	2	27	18	13
N. Bankstown	6	1	3	21	16	13
Belmore	5	2	3	25	20	12
Lane Cove	3	3	5	15	26	9
Marrickville	3	2	5	22	19	8
Banks City	3	2	5	18	23	8
Riverside Rapid	2	2	7	18	29	6
East Side	3	—	8	20	36	6
South Sydney	—	—	10	6	44	—

SECOND DIVISION

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Arncliffe Scots	7	3	1	25	6	17
Uni. NSW	7	1	2	23	9	15
Campbelltown	7	1	2	21	11	15
Gladesv.-H'by	6	2	1	26	8	14
Newtown	4	5	1	15	10	13
Condell Park	5	2	4	32	22	12
Warringah	5	1	5	21	15	11
Revesby Rovers	3	1	4	21	18	7
Kewpie	3	1	7	15	26	7
Blacktown	3	1	7	18	31	7
Yagoona	3	—	8	12	29	6
Lidcombe	—	—	11	8	57	—

THIRD DIVISION

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Rosebery R.	11	—	—	67	11	22
Bondi	8	1	1	30	14	17
Ravens	7	2	1	36	18	16
Chelsea	5	1	4	36	21	11
Sydney Uni.	4	2	3	20	18	10
Auburn	3	2	6	28	26	8
West Ryde	3	2	5	25	27	8
Nepean	2	4	5	22	31	8
Dee Why	3	2	6	17	39	8
Fairfield-Kiev	2	2	7	18	33	6
Greenacre	2	1	7	11	44	5
Liverpool	2	1	7	8	36	5

FOURTH DIVISION

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Queen's Park	9	1	—	45	10	19
Maroubra	8	1	1	47	9	17
Greenwich	7	2	1	24	13	16
Magpie	7	1	3	32	19	15
A'cffe RSL	7	—	4	36	29	14
Padstow Park	4	—	6	42	27	8
Ku-ring-gai	4	—	6	24	23	8
Revesby Rovers	4	—	6	24	32	8
Thornleigh	3	1	6	16	44	7
Castle Hill	3	—	7	29	50	6

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

FIRST DIVISION

(Second and Third Grades)

Sth. Sydney v. Melita	2-3	6-0
Pan Hellenic v. Prague	0-1	2-2
Marconi v. St. George	2-3	1-1
Ryde v. Hakoah	2-1	0-7
SCU v. APIA	2-2	1-0

SECOND DIVISION

(All Grades)

S'land v. Artarmon	2-0	3-4	2-0
Hornsby v. Granv.	0-4	2-1	1-3
Corins. v. C'cordia	1-2	4-1	0-1
NS-Inter v. Polonia	1-1	2-3	1-2
Wests v. B'town	1-2	7-2	0-1
Manly v. Balgownie	4-1	2-0	0-1

SYDNEY SECOND DIVISION

Wests can regain their lost lead

— By CHARLES SPITERI —

A brilliant win over Balgownie and the unexpected defeat of Western Suburbs by Bankstown gave Manly a one-point lead at the head of the competition table.

In two successive weeks Bankstown have clipped off three points out of a possible four from the top two promotion-seekers who meet on Sunday in the "match of the season."

Other features of Round 10 were:

Sutherland v. Artarmon 2-0

With more method in their play, Sutherland held a slight edge on Artarmon even though they only scored the first goal two minutes from half time.

The second half was played in drizzling rain with Artarmon venturing more in attack and Stan Earl brought off some good saves, but it was Sutherland who scored again through Greg Woods to seal the result.

Sutherland: Earl; Perry, Howard; Bennett (1), Cilia, Watts; Piggott, Lavan, Corfield, Woods (1), Cooper.

Artarmon: Lamb; Smith (Amor), M. Nacinovich; McGuiness, Quinn, Harding; Seaborn, Hardy, Giffin, Morgan, Mula.

Western Suburbs v. Bankstown 1-2

An outstanding performance by goalkeeper Ross Kelly was not enough to prevent Wests' first defeat of the season.

Bankstown took the initiative early and within four minutes were in the lead with a goal by Peter Goose.

Wests, who were mastered in midfield by a determined Bankstown, equalised few minutes after the resumption, but gave away a penalty four minutes from the end for Peter Clarke to convert at his third try after Kelly had saved twice.

Wests: Kelly; Van Blerk, Hargreaves; Johnston, Guildea, Harrison; Scully, Bijkerk, Hood, Blue, Pont (1), (Hindmarsh).

Bankstown: Miller Fitzgerald, Farrell; Maugham, Sheldrick, Patterson; Goose (1), Madden, White, (Roberts), Mullen, Clarke (1).

Manly v. Balgownie 4-1

A hat-trick by playing coach Brian McDonald enabled Manly to score a convincing victory over Balgownie.

To get on top the unpredictable Balgownie, Manly produced some of their best football, particularly in the first half when they led 1-0.

After the resumption Manly went into top gear and forced the Balgownie defence into mistakes to score three more goals.

Manly: Gee; Tatt, G. Jones; Hutchinson, Jagger (1), McGill; Crawford, McDonald (3), Hendry, Stocks, R. Jones (Hughes).

Balgownie: Nuell; Malassin, Davies; Grant, Orphin, McCulloch; Baker, Paterson, McGarry, Beard (McGonville 1), Freeme.

NS-Inter v. Polonia 1-1

Polonia took the lead in this scrappy match after 25 minutes, but Inter equalised 10 minutes later to exchange posts on level terms.

Both sides tried hard to get the winner in the second half, but the continuous rain prevented them from coming close to scoring.

NS-Inter: Bower; Slater, Stuart; Alvarez (Steele), Ledesma, Manrique; Ruttley (1), Aldridge, Caridad, Santoro, Santos (Rojas).

Polonia: Mikolajczek; Round, Starek; Oliver, Calphy, Komoder; Gamanski, Szmidt, Wozniczka (1), Krawiarz, Hoare (Willys).

Corinthians v. Concordia 1-2

Despite the heavy going Concordia's determination and better understanding won them a 2-0 lead at half-time which was too much for Corinthians to overcome.

Corinthians fought back strongly towards the end and their new signing, Graham Barnett, scored their only goal about 10 minutes from the end.

Corinthians: Legge; Yates, Cooper; P. Clarke, Smith (G. Clarke), Haggett; Townsend, Johnson, O'Dell (Williams), Barnett (1), Allan.

Concordia: Wupper; Erasmus, Besseling; Tulloch, Miller, Whyte; Zufferey (1) (Fransejovic), Gillespie (Dunckel), Smit (1), Eichert, Kappacher.

Hornsby-NE v. Granville 0-4

The rejuvenated Granville took time to settle down and in a see-sawing first half battle with the struggling Hornsby only led 1-0.

However, spearheaded by Les Schaumann, the Granville attack worked smoothly after the interval to add three more goals without reply.

Granville: Maher; Pendleton, Biglands; Crelly, Staunton, Okon; Lee, Loftus (1), Schaumann (2), Miranda, O'Neill (1).

THIS WEEK

This weekend the first leg of the competition will be concluded and spectators can expect a soccer feast in the clash between promotion-seekers Manly and Western Suburbs.

Manly are playing impressively and the way they subdued Balgownie would make them tough opponents capable of springing a major upset, but Wests should win an exciting match narrowly.

In the other matches Bankstown might find it hard to make it three wins in a row against Sutherland, and the latter, playing as confidently as ever, should come out on top after a gruelling tussle.

NS-Inter are tipped to beat Artarmon and the improving Granville could topple Balgownie.

Polonia should account for Corinthians while Concordia can win against Hornsby.

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SYDNEY PROGRAM

THIS WEEK

THURSDAY, JUNE 11

Ryde v. South Sydney — Macarthur Park, 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 13

Polonia v. Corinthians — North Sydney Oval
Artarmon v. NS-Inter — Artarmon Reserve

SUNDAY, JUNE 14

St. George v. Auburn — Hurstville Oval
Prague v. APIA — Marks Field
Hakoah v. South Sydney — Wentworth Park
SCU v. Ryde — Woonona Oval
Granville v. Balgownie — Macarthur Park
Concordia v. Hornsby-NE — Seymour Shaw Park
Bankstown v. Sutherland — Bankstown Oval
Manly v. Western Suburbs — Graham Reserve

MONDAY, JUNE 15

Canterbury v. Pan Hellenic — Arlington Oval
Melita Eagles v. Marconi — Mona Park

NEXT WEEK

TUESDAY, JUNE 16

Hakoah v. Jardine (Hong Kong) — Marks Field, 8.15 p.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 20

Canterbury v. Prague — Arlington Oval
St. George v. Pan Hellenic — Wentworth Park
Melita Eagles v. Auburn — Mona Park
Artarmon v. Corinthians — Artarmon Reserve

SUNDAY, JUNE 21

Hakoah v. Marconi — Wentworth Park
South Coast v. South Sydney — Woonona Oval
Ryde v. APIA — Marks Field
Concordia v. Granville — Seymour Shaw Park
Polonia v. Hornsby-NE — Bankstown Soccer Centre
Bankstown v. NS-Inter — Bankstown Oval
Manly v. Sutherland — Graham Reserve
Western Suburbs v. Balgownie — Drummoyne Oval

Because of frequent program changes, often after our deadline, we cannot take any responsibility for the above match dates and venues. If in doubt, please consult the secretary of the NSW Federation, by phoning 26-1771.

TIPPING CONTEST COUPON No. 6

These are my forecasts for the NSW First and Second Division matches to be played on June 20-21. (Put 1 for a "home" win, x for a draw and 2 for an "away" win. Don't put actual scores.)

Entries must reach us by 2 p.m. on Saturday, June 20.

CANTERBURY v. PRAGUE ....
ST. GEORGE v. PAN HELLENIC ....
MELITA EAGLES v. AUBURN ....
HAKOAH v. MARCONI ....
SOUTH COAST v. SOUTH SYDNEY ....
RYDE v. APIA ....
ARTARMON v. CORINTHIANS ....
CONCORDIA v. GRANVILLE ....
POLONIA v. HORNSBY-NE ....
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